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RUHR OCCUPATION

GERMAN GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

THE BRITISH ATTITUDE.

BERLIN, January 11.
The Government's policy relative to the invasion of the Ruhr was outlined by Herr Cuno before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Reichstag. He declared that Germany could not resist actively but on the contrary would not bow her head voluntarily. He announced that Germany's reparations obligations would cease to be discharged *vis a vis* "Treaty breaking powers." The Government will leave officials in the occupied area out of consideration for the population's welfare and the conduct of Government business. Further action will depend on the action taken by the other side. The Premier of Federal States have been invited to Berlin to confer upon the necessary economic measures in view of the gravity of the situation.

GERMAN AMBASSADORS DEPART.

PARIS, January 11.
The German ambassador is departing to-day.
BAUSSELS, January 11.
The German charge d'affaires has departed for Berlin.

PARIS, January 11.
The German ambassador's departure was not accompanied by any communication involving a formal diplomatic rupture between the Franco-German Governments.

MORE SOCIALISTS ARRESTED.

PARIS, January 11.
Four more Socialist leaders have been arrested, including M. Cavalet, secretary of the extremist section of the General Confederation of Labour.

INVADING FORCE WELL EQUIPPED.

LONDON, January 11.
Effectives entering the Ruhr are officially stated to consist of two divisions of French infantry and one brigade of cavalry, accompanied by a Belgian detachment.

DUSSELDORF, January 11.

There was no opposition or demonstration when the force which set out on a wide front started.

ESSEN, January 11.

The force is fully equipped and includes a large number of tanks, field guns, armoured cars, lorries, cyclists and even gas masks.

A French proclamation issued at Düsseldorf states that the local administrations will continue to function. There will be no curfew but the carrying of arms is forbidden.

Düsseldorf and Duisburg were plastered during the night with Communist placards in French and German inciting the French soldiers to revolt against Stinnes and other capitalists.

MERELY SPECTACULAR BLUFF?

LONDON, January 11.
Reuter learns that there are some grounds to believe that France, having shown by the occupation of the Ruhr that she is thoroughly in earnest, may attempt to reopen negotiations with Germany for a settlement of the reparations question under the impression that vigorous action will have brought the German Government to its senses.

COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN SCOTCHED.

PARIS, January 11.
The six communists arrested last night left Paris a week ago for Germany where, with Cachin, they opened a campaign of protest against the Ruhr occupation. Apparently they intended to proceed to Essen when they received secret instructions deciding them to return to Paris immediately. They were arrested in their homes shortly after their arrival. It is believed that Cachin returned to Paris last night. The Public Prosecutor to-day lodged, at the Ministry of Justice, a formal demand for the withdrawal of Cachin's parliamentary immunity with a view to prosecution.

BRITAIN WAITING AND WATCHING.

LONDON, January 11.
The British Cabinet discussed the position arising out of the occupation of the Ruhr and it is authoritatively learned that no spectacular action like the withdrawal of the British troops from the Rhine is contemplated. Britain will continue to be represented on the Reparations Commission and the Council of Ambassadors, thereby proving her earnest desire to act as far as possible in co-operation with France while disapproving the latter's policy. In the meantime she is waiting and watching the results of France's action.

REPARATIONS COAL STOPPED.

BERLIN, January 11.
The Government has ordered the cessation of the transport of reparations coal.

GERMAN PEOPLE WARNED.

BERLIN, January 11.
President Ebert and the Cabinet have issued a proclamation declaring that they will do what they can to mitigate the effects of the disastrous French action and warning the people against ill-considered action.

MARTIAL LAW SHORTLY.

ESSEN, January 11.
The inhabitants on the outskirts ignored the French advance. The streets are empty and most shops are closed. Martial law will be proclaimed almost immediately.

FRENCH AT ESSEN.

ESSEN, January 11.
The very early arrival of the French troops created surprise. They took control of the General Post Office, turned out every body therein and seizing the telegraph and telephone instruments. Later they permitted business to proceed.

THE DOLLAR.

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RUHR OCCUPATION.

STATEMENT BY POINCARE.

PARIS, January 11.
Loud cheers resounded in the Chamber as M. Poincare traced the developments justifying the present action. The Premier recapitulated the arguments against the British reparations plan and in favour of the French plan which represented "The limit of concessions." Nevertheless Britain and France could discuss these matters without compromising their alliance. He declared that Germany's bad faith was proved by the fact that while Germany was refusing to deliver timber and coal on account of reparations Herr Stinnes sought an interview with M. Poincare last month on the subject of exchanging coke for ore. He asserted that the withdrawal of the American troops was in nowise connected with the French entry of the Ruhr but merely the execution of an earlier decision.

BLAME FOR BRITISH.

He blamed the British abstention for "measures of prudence which would otherwise be unnecessary." He stated that British abstention would also make the seizure of guarantees less productive. He warned the Chamber not to expect great returns from the operations but comparatively small returns were better than nothing.

IRISH OUTRAGES.

SLIGO STATION BURNED.

LONDON, January 11.
Armed men burned Sligo railway station to the ground. Two passenger trains in the station were destroyed.

Patrol and mines were used for the destruction of the station and the explosions shook the town. The damage is estimated at £80,000. Simultaneously with the outbreak the attackers seized the military posts and fired on the troops who rushed to the station in armoured cars. Heavy machine gun and rifle fire lasted for two hours.

Another outrage was the coupling of seven engines which were sent at full speed towards the quay. The locomotives smashed their way through obstacles and broke down the concrete sea wall. One fell into the sea and another hangs across the sea wall.

IN EAST PRUSSIA.

A LITHUANIAN URRUPTION.

BERLIN, January 11.
A message from Hay Dekrug states that the intrusion of the Lithuanians towards Memel is extending but no collisions have so far occurred. The object of the Lithuanians is believed to be to confront the Ambassadors' Conference with a fait accompli.

FRENCH HANDLING SITUATION.

BERLIN, January 11.
According to the Tagblatt armed Lithuanian bands advancing towards Memel occupied Bavoren and are now advancing in the direction of Memel. The French High Commissioner has issued a proclamation to the populace promising to cope with the situation. French troops are entrenched in the outskirts of Memel.

RUBBER PRODUCTION.

ANGLO-AMERICAN CAMPAIGN DISCUSSED.

LONDON, January 11.
A joint Anglo-American campaign is threatened by rubber manufacturers against the Stevenson Act. Mr. Hines of the Firestone Company, who is visiting England, in a statement of the American case made to the India Rubber Manufacturers Association in Manchester says that a deputation from the Rubber Growers' Association is going to America to discuss the question with the American Rubber Association.

Mr. Hines contends that the scheme will create a serious shortage and hints at the development of rubber cultivation in the Philippines. Although he admits that legislative changes will be necessary to ensure sufficiently large quantities he also thinks that America might obtain Dutch cooperation by financing and developing greater rubber production in Dutch plantations.

RUSSIAN ARMY COMMANDER'S COURT.

MARTIAL LAW.

HAARLEM, January 11.
The Kransy d'Garde publishes a Trotsky order dismissing the Army Commander of the thirty third division stationed on the Volga, also the commander of the Academy School and ordering a court martial on charges of robbing soldiers and drunken orgies.

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TRADE.

If time is the healer of personal woes, trade is the healer of international troubles. But just as individuals may resist the cure, refusing to be soled, so too may nations prolong their travail, ignoring hard economic facts. "The interchange of commodities between one nation and another is the life-blood of modern European civilisation," declares the trade expert, and yet we find nations ready to imperil the general economic security for their own ends—France embarking upon rash adventures in the Ruhr, for instance. Trade has quite enough to face before it can become normal again, without these adventitious handicaps. Simply because there is a slump it does not follow, either, as Walle has pointed out, that we shall necessarily have a depression. That because the pendulum has swung in one direction, it must soon commence to swing in the opposite, indeed, has been a fallacy to which the mechanism of civilisation has been subjected, and it is quite possible, and even probable, unless the clock-mender comes in time, that the pendulum will swing so far in the wrong direction that it will break off and fall to the floor. With this danger still in suspension, every indication that trade is improving or holding its own—nay, even showing less round than might have been expected in view of the world's disturbed state—every indication that trade is performing its healing work is more than welcome, for without the full resumption of international trade the nations must perish, our own first. Therefore, the hopeful can take heart from Britain's overseas trade figures, called yesterday. These figures, admittedly, did not reveal an increase in the imports but neither did they show the ever more marked

PEAK TRAMWAY ANNUAL DONATION TO STAFF.

Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, Hon. Secretary of the Peak Residents' Association, has forwarded the following correspondence for the information of all those who kindly subscribed to the annual donation to the staff of the Peak Tramway:

Hongkong, 10th January, 1923.

Messrs John D. Humphreys & Son

General Managers

Peak Tramway Co., Ltd.

Dear Sirs,—Enclosed I beg to hand you cheque for \$561 together with lists of subscribers, being donations collected by the above Association for the staff of the Peak Tramway.

My Committee regret that this annual collection was not made earlier, but owing to the absence of Mr. George Hastings who undertook this work previously nothing was done until quite recently when several residents asked the Peak Residents' Association to take the matter in hand.

Whilst the distribution of the money collected is of course left entirely to the discretion of yourselves and Mr. L. G. Scott, the Superintendent, my Committee wish to mention Inspector Smirke's name for special conspicuous service during the strike last year when it was necessary to convey food supplies by the tram to the Peak Hotel depot.

I remain, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) E. B. C. Hornell

Hon. Secretary

Peak Residents' Association.

Hongkong January 11, 1923.

E. B. C. Hornell, Esq.

Hon. Secretary.

Peak Residents' Association.

Dear Sir,—We have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday enclosing cheque for \$561 subscribed by Members of the above Association for distribution amongst the staff of the Peak Tramway.

On behalf of the Staff, European and Chinese, we wish to thank you for this donation and we shall be glad if you will convey our thanks to Members of your Association.

Your wishes as regards Inspector Smirke will be carried out.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Peak Tramways Company Limited.

(Sgd.) John D. Humphreys and Son.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1923.

Messrs John D. Humphreys & Son

General Managers

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Dear Sirs,—I am in receipt of your letter of even date contents of which are noted with pleasure.

As I propose to publish the letters exchanged between us in the Press for the information of all subscribers, I think it is only fair to mention that several of the subscribers on the lists in your possession are not members of the above Association, which fact you apparently were not aware of when writing the letter under review.

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BOXER INDEMNITY. AND CHINESE EDUCATION ABROAD.

(Special to the China Mail.)

Reuter's summary of Sir Frederick Lugard's letter to the Times raises a question which has been frequently discussed before and which needs to be thrashed out more thoroughly. Part of the summary, as reported in the daily papers reads as follows:—"The present condition of China seems to show that the Chinese who have been denationalized by being sent abroad too young, have done their country but little good."

There is much room for discussion in this statement. When is a Chinaman "too young" for education abroad? and who is to settle when the period of ripeness for such education has arisen, or whether it is not the next stage—rottenness—that has arrived? Why, too, this glib talk of denationalization through being sent abroad? A Chinaman who has been abroad for many years and who returns to give his country advice is surely as well able to do so as a foreigner who has never belonged to the fold? We do not hear so much talk about denationalization in connection with the neighbouring people, the Japanese. Yet most of the Japanese Statesmen who have made any mark spent most of their early years, even before they could talk the language, in England or America. After being imbued with foreign influences they returned to a Japan as far from their way of thinking as modern China is from the ideas of the young American-trained Chinaman.

But it is not of this aspect of the subject that we wish to write so much as of the suggested substitutes, and how they are to satisfy Chinese aspirations. What does the young Chinaman need? What does he want? and what ought he to get?

Now everybody who knows any thing about China has a vague idea of what has happened there in the last decade or so. An all-sufficient absolute monarchy which carried out its behests through elaborate grades of officials throughout its vast Empire; which ended its decrees "tremble and obey"; has passed from the stage. And this has been succeeded by—what?—complete chaos. And this has been otherwise. True, there were a few Americans in China who had heard of the carrying of Stratford-on-Avon and the Pyramids of Egypt hither to the United States; and that thereby the United States had become literary and antique. And these people thought that a Republic, ready-born a live model of the Land of the Stars and Stripes, could be grafted, ready made on China. But governments, like poets, are born not made. And so China, influenced by the West but not of it, has blundered on and fallen between two stools.

What does she need? She needs most of all that a goodly proportion of her more thoughtful citizens should go across to a country like England and see how law grows, and how government unfolds itself in an orderly and settled country. This is what is needed above everything else in China. Even if her better class citizens have never realized that law is really the crystallization of the will of the working majority. Now, there is no process in the world where the whole proceeds from the will of the people to the codified law can be watched and studied through its various phases with greater profit than in England. America is by no means so good. It is a more free country; "grat" is more rife; politics is often in the hands of unscrupulous "rings" such as Tammany, so much so that the more upright citizen wash their hands of it.

In Hongkong there is no civics in this sense. When Sir Frederick Lugard urges the claims of Hongkong University as a training ground for Chinese he forgets all this. A Chinaman, and indeed an Englishman, might get all the training that could be given here, and live to be an old man and never even realize that there was such a thing as citizenship, much less be prepared to negotiate those delicate adjustments between new wine and old bottles which form the crux of China's present difficulties. What is more, this sciences cannot be learned through books. It has to be seen in living action. The greater the number of Chinese students who are it as it unfolds in the England of today, the better for China, the better for England, the better for the relations between these two great countries.

This is no reflection on Hongkong University. The sciences in essence something much beyond what any University alone could give. It is education in the fundamental duties of citizenship, which may lead to, and in many cases blossom out in, the larger duties of statesmanship. But there is even more to be said than this. Although China has, embedded in her social tissue, her own

OUR NAVAL VISITORS. YESTERDAY'S PROGRAMME.

Yesterday's programme for the entertainment of our Naval visitors of the Japanese Training Squadron included a tiffin given at the City Hall to 400 sailors, a rugby match between the British sailors of the submarines and light cruisers, a dinner at Government House given by His Excellency the Governor to Vice-Admiral Tanaguchi and his staff, and finally a boxing and wrestling tournament at the Naval Canteen.

THE Tiffin.
The sailors marched to the City Hall from the Naval Yard, headed by the Band of H.M.S. "Hawkins," and filled the two large and beautifully decorated Halls in which the function was held. A hundred British tars were also present and acted as hosts. Rousing cheers and "banzais" were given for The King and The Japanese Emperor and then the gathering set to and did justice to an excellent and substantial meal.

After tiffin, the party proceeded by special trams to Happy Valley to witness a rugby match between two British naval teams. The Japanese Sailors evinced great interest in the proceedings and often indicated their pleasure by enthusiastic applause.

In the evening, Vice Admiral Tanaguchi and his officers were the guests of H.E. the Governor at dinner at Government House, where cordial speech was made.

BOXING AND FENCING.

Simultaneously, the men of the lower deck were spending a very enjoyable time at the Royal Naval Theatre, where a fine programme of boxing fencing and jujitsu exhibitions was contributed to by representatives of the two Navies. The first half of the programme which was arranged by Lieut Commander Douglas Hamilton, of H. M. S. "Hawkins" at short notice consisted of boxing bouts between sailors of the British warships in port, assisted by a few men of the sister Service. The boxing provided plenty of excitement, the contestants going for each other hammer and tongs from start to finish. The feature bout was a 6-round contest between C. P. Morgan of the "Hawkins" and Serg. Tribe, R. G. A. They gave as fine an exhibition of boxing as one could wish to see.

The Japanese tars filled the bill in the second half of the programme and they gave some spirited exhibitions of Japanese fencing for the benefit of their British friends. Dressed in their ancient fighting costume, with long skirt, masked head and breast plate, the contestants fought with bamboo weapons, which represented the old naval sword, not unlike the old British broadsword.

After the fencing, the visitors gave exhibitions of the famous jujitsu system of wrestling. Illustrations were given of several of the chief throws, following which actual contests were indulged in.

The theatre was packed. There were in all 253 Japanese tars and a few officers present.

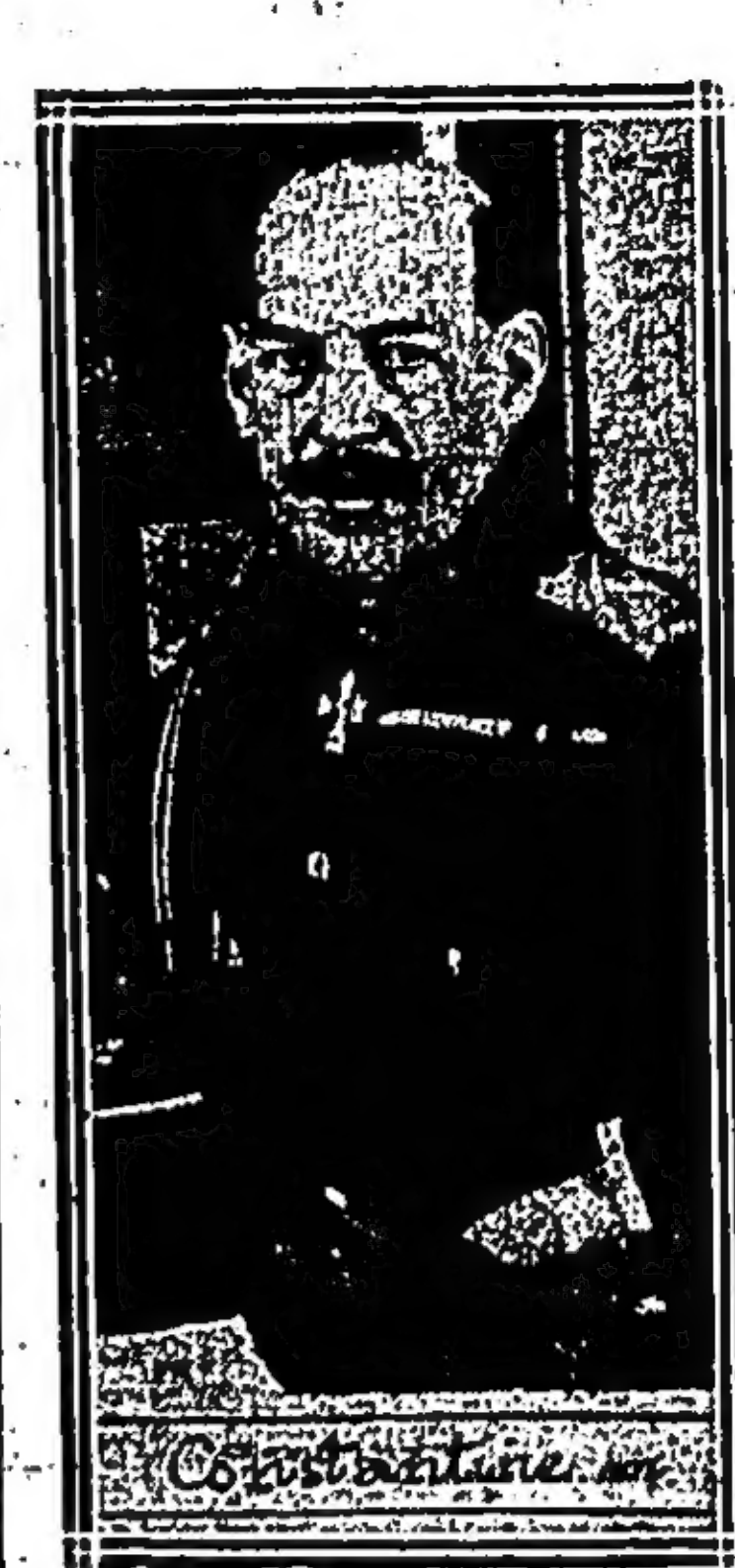
ancestral customs and may never adopt in its entirety Western Law and Custom, nevertheless her young men ought to study the Law of Western countries, and this not in the Local dress as administered here, but at the fountain head. The very fact that England has through the centuries moulded herself as a free constitution from being an absolute monarchy makes her constitution a very suitable one to study. She is not tied down, as America is, by a written document. The University of Hongkong has as yet no law school. And while of course in the future she may develop this faculty, all this takes time, nay years. So that apart from the fact that law and kindred studies would be better carried on in England there is the added difficulty that students who wish to study these subjects, must perform for some years to come at any rate, pursue their studies in some foreign university.

There are many other reasons why the education of Chinese in England would be the best method of expending the Boxer Indemnity. Other Reuter communications which have recently appeared will make this abundantly clear to any body who can read between the lines. There are too many different claimants who each want a share. A Chinaman, apparently, who is being educated in China is likely to be a missionary product of an anti-Christian product or some other special brand.

If the student is sent to England he has a fuller and better opportunity to see life faithfully and see it whole. Its secular, religious, social, political and spiritual forces will all make their impress, and compete, without fear or favour, for his maturing judgment.

EX KING "TINO" DEAD.

The death of Greece's exiled King was called to-day.



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"NEW CHINA" CASE.

PANTRY BOY'S CLAIM.

COMPRADORE NOT LIABLE.

The Paines Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) gave judgment in the Summary Court this morning in the action known as the "New China" case, in which Cheng Yuen, formerly employed as pantry boy on board the s.s. "New China" of the Spain and China Steam Navigation Company, claimed from Chan Bing-said to have been formerly the compradore of the same ship, the sum of \$309, representing 16½ months' wages at \$22 per month.

Mr. Leo d'Almada was solicitor for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. A. Webster appeared for the defendant.

Giving judgment, His Honour said that he had come to the conclusion that the defendant was not liable for the sum claimed by the plaintiff in his employment in the ordinary way as chief clerk in the compradore department. He (the defendant) had said himself in evidence—that he never engaged the plaintiff, and even if he did, His Honour thought that he had only done so on behalf of the compradore or owners of the ship. Neither of the documents which had been signed by the defendant and which were produced in the course of the case reflected any responsibility on the defendant.

His Honour would not say that he signed them under physical force, but he had undoubtedly been worried and finally signed the documents to escape further trouble. The first document was signed when the ship was at Mexico when the defendant wanted to take the cargo ashore to be transhipped. That evidence which was given by the defendant himself had not been contradicted by the plaintiff. The second document was signed here in Hongkong, and in it the defendant was described as the chief clerk; and he said that he would dispose of the ship and its effects, whatever it might mean, and pay the money.

Now, the ship was at that time across the Pacific, and the defendant clearly had no power or authority to do anything to it. If anyone was responsible for the debts of the ship here in Hongkong it was the man B. C. Wong, who was mentioned in the case. His Honour had no doubt that the plaintiff had been swindled by someone, and deserved sympathy, but it was clear to him that the defendant was not the man who had swindled him. He thought that the reason the plaintiff went to the defendant for payment was because his brother was the compradore of the ship. In the circumstances he would have to sue the parties. His Honour advised Mr. d'Almada that if his client wished to recover his money, he would have to find this man B. C. Wong.

COMPANY REPORTS.

GOOD DIVIDENDS ANNOUNCED.

Subject to audit the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. will pay a Final Dividend of \$6.00 per share and Bonus of \$5.00. The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd. will pay a Dividend of \$5.25 per share and Bonus of \$11.00 per share. The Hongkong Central Estate Ltd. will pay a Final Dividend of \$4.00 per share.

CHARTER PARTY ACTION. CHIEF JUSTICE'S DECISION.

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFFS.

The Chief Justice (Sir William Rice-Davies, K.C.) gave judgment in the Supreme Court this morning in the charter party case in which the Cheung Yue s.s. Company Ltd., of Shanghai are concerned as plaintiffs, and Hiji Mulji, Lolji Mulji and Khemji Sheoli (trading as Dharai Nauji and Company), an Indian firm, are the defendants.

Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkins (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Harton and Shenton) appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. McNeill (of Shanghai) and Mr. O.G. Alabaster, K.C., (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the defendants.

Reviewing the facts of the case, His Lordship said that this was an action to recover damages under an award under submission to arbitration contained in a charter party. On November 17, 1916, the charter party was executed in Hongkong by which the plaintiffs agreed to let the s.s. "Singaporean" to the defendants for 10 months at \$28,000 per month. While the ship was still in the plaintiffs' possession, it was requisitioned by the Government on March 31, 1917. Following this, a certain amount of correspondence took place between the parties concerned in the action, and in such correspondence, the plaintiffs declared, the defendants agreed to take the ship on a 10 months' charter when the Government had released it.

On the other hand, the defendants claimed that a certain cable which they sent to the plaintiffs only amounted to an agreement to take the ship when released by the Government, for the residue of the time charter. The case for the defence was that the charter party had expired; that the objects of the charter party were frustrated; that the arbitration clause was void, and that the arbitrator had exceeded his jurisdiction.

The arbitration, defendants claimed, took place in Hongkong, and only the plaintiffs were one of the parties represented. As a result, the arbitration awarded in the plaintiffs' favour. Plaintiffs then brought this action to enforce the award of arbitration, but the defendants claimed that this Court had no jurisdiction.

In the course of a long judgment, covering twenty-two pages, His Lordship examined the arguments and quoted legal authorities. He found that the charter party had not expired and also that the objects of the charter party had not been frustrated. In conclusion His Lordship said that these two points made it unnecessary for him to deal with the question of the jurisdiction of the arbitrator, inasmuch as his finding on those issues was that the agreement in exercise of the option under the charter party gave the arbitrator jurisdiction. Replying to the defendants' claim that the Hongkong Court had no jurisdiction, His Lordship said that that had been established in the course of the arguments and therefore his duty was merely to decide the issues. That being so, he would enter judgment for plaintiffs with cost.

Mr. Alabaster applied for a stay of execution beyond the usual fourteen days as his clients were in India, and he wished to get instructions from them.

Mr. Potter objected and said that the only remedy the plaintiffs had was to bring an action in the Indian Court to enforce the judgment. Similarly, if the defendants wanted a stay of execution, they would have to apply to the Indian Court.

After further argument, His Lordship decided to grant stay for one month, with liberty to apply.

MOTOR SMASH VERDICT.

SQUASHED BY ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGES WITHDRAWN.

It was learned to-day that the verdict of manslaughter against the two chauffeurs concerned which was returned by the Coroner's jury investigating the motor smash in which Lieut. Commander Flooper was killed has not been accepted by the Attorney-General as justifying an indictment and the charge has therefore been withdrawn.

Instead the drivers, who have been released on \$100 bail, will appear at the Police Court to-morrow to answer two charges—exceeding the speed limit in a control area, and driving recklessly and to the danger of the public.

At the Coroner's inquiry Mr. J. R. Wood presided and the jury were—Messrs. Holger Dreyer, Leonard Gordon Scott (foreman) and Harry Greenwood.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BALANCING HER BUDGET.

FRANCE INCREASES TAXATION.

Paris, January 11.
The Finance Minister has tabled a Bill increasing by twenty per cent all direct and indirect taxation except on wages and salaries. It is anticipated that it will yield 3,200,000,000 francs and it is hoped thereby to balance the budget.

TROOPS SURROUND ESSEN.

Paris, January 11.
An official statement announcing the occupation of Essen adds that other Franco-Belgian troops took up quarters in the vicinity of big urban centres. The Belgians are quartered North of Hamborn and Oberhausen and the French North East, West and South West of Essen, also at Hols, Kray, Werden and Ratzen.

NEW B. N. BORNEO DIRECTOR.

London, January 11.
Mr. D. O. Malcolm, a Director of the British South Africa Company, has been appointed a Director of the British North Borneo Company.

FRENCH CHAMBER SUPPORTS GOVERNMENT

Paris, January 11.
The Chamber by 473 votes to 86 decided to postpone its interpellation to the Government until February 2 which is tantamount to a vote of confidence.

OBITUARY.

EX-KING CONSTANTINE DEAD.

Palermo, January 11.
Constantine, the ex-King of Greece has died from cerebral haemorrhage. END UNEXPECTED.

Palermo, January 11.
Ex King Constantine had been suffering from arterio sclerosis and nephritis but his end was unexpected. He had arranged to settle in Florence shortly. Queen Sophia and his three daughters were present at this death.

DEBT FUNDING DISCUSSION.

AGREEMENT REPORTED CERTAIN.

Washington, January 11.
The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Mellon, is reported to have declared it certain that an agreement for the funding of the British war debts to America will be reached before the British commissioners' departure and which is tentatively fixed for January 20.

LONDON EXCHANGE MARKET.

London, January 11.
A feature of the exchanges is the strength of sterling on New York at 4.674. The market is anxiously awaiting developments on the Continent. French francs are at 74.25. Lire are at 94 1/2 and marks at 16000.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 4a Des Voeux Road, on Tuesday, 13th February, 1923, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY 30th January to TUESDAY 13th February, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 12, 1923.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTYTHIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, at 3.30 p.m., SATURDAY, February, the 3rd, 1923, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 22nd January, to SATURDAY, 3rd February, 1923, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 12, 1923.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTYFIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY 26th January 1923 at 12.15 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1922.

The REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 17th January to FRIDAY 26th January both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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As Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Cathedral School, he has watched their growth with eye-increasing interest and is to a great extent responsible for the fact that they are to-day a successful and sound all-British institution. In sport, he has always done his best to further the interest of the Clubs with which he is associated, and as President of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association he has always taken an active interest in the promotion of this branch of sport, while in golf he has also taken a special interest.

LINERS RACE. CHALLENGE BY WIRELESS.

Within two hours of one another, the Canadian liner "Canadian Conqueror" and the American liner "Easterner" left the Panama Canal, both bound to Brisbane.

They never saw one another, but a challenge to a race to their destination 7723 miles distant was issued by wireless and accepted.

For days the "Canadian" was in the lead, to the consternation of the Americans. The positions were wireless daily, and it seemed as though the "Canadian" would win by countless lengths.

When the "Easterner" arrived at Sydney the men on her were loud in their praises for Captain O'Brien, the master of the steamer. He departed from the usual track, came further south, and made his way through numerous island passages, they said. In other words, "they took up the inside running and held the race."

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Jan. 14.—E. A. Bauka.

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Jan. 20.—J. C. J. L. Tjiensook.

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21.—P. M. Prev. Cleveland.

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FROM BOMBAY.

Jan. 15.—N.Y.K. Wakasui Maru.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Jan. 10.—N.Y.K. Yoshino Maru.

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12.—A. O. Taiyuan.

FROM PORTLAND.

Jan. 31.—Col. P. S. Pawlet.

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Feb. 4.—B. F. Telemachus.

FROM VANCOUVER.

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19.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.

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Jan. 23.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

Feb. 20.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

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Jan. 21.—P. M. Prev. Pierce.

25.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

Feb. 20.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

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Jan. 13.—T. T. Fung L.

13.—B. F. Telemachus.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

A two-year-old Dutch boy, dressed in a sailor suit, was one of the passengers in the London to Amsterdam express.

"You are suffering from a most violent disease—talk," said Judge Parrott to a woman at Clerkenwell County Court.

M. Agnelli, the representative of the Russian Red Cross in Bulgaria has been assassinated by it is believed, political opponents.

An arbitration as to the pay and conditions of the 5,000 railway police in Great Britain was opened in London and adjourned.

The Swedish Academy has awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature for 1922 to the Spanish dramatist Jacinto Benavente.

The title of the grouped South Western, South Eastern, and London Brighton Railways is to be The Southern Railway.

An elephant appearing at a Cardiff music-hall walk into an hotel there and picking up a glass of beer from the counter drank the liquor.

Five hundred men were underground when a fire broke out at Llanhilleth Colliery, near Pontypool, but all reached the surface safely.

During excavations at Bermudez, S.P., a stone bearing the consecration mark of the old Abbey of St. Saviour, founded in 1182, has been found.

Fourteen divorce cases, 13 of which were undefended, were disposed of by Mr. Justice Brannon at Liverpool Assizes from 5 to 10 minutes each.

Charged with being in possession of five packs of opium, Hsin Quong, 32, and Hom Hop Lee, 60, employed in a Bristol laundry, were remanded.

A deadlock prevails in South Lincolnshire in regard to farm wages, the men refusing to agree to a reduction in the existing rate of 8d to 7d per hour.

After 38 years' service in the Police Force, during the last 24 of which he has been Chief Constable of Felkstone, Mr. Harry Reeve resigned owing to ill-health.

Said to have walked more than 500 miles from Glasgow to join the Navy, John McNeil, 17, an orphan, was remanded at Portsmouth on a charge of sleeping out.

Viscount Esher was fined 10s. at Kingston-on-Thames for not having the rear plate of his motor car properly illuminated when driving at night at Kingston Vale.

It is announced by the Dutch Government that the British Government has paid all indemnification due for damage caused by bombs from British aeroplanes falling on Dutch territory during the war.

It was stated of a man remanded at Highgate on a charge of being £100 in arrears for wife maintenance that after being missed for some time he entered Barnet Workhouse and there met his wife.

At the annual ceremony of exaltation to the chair of the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Ilwaco, Pineshire, Joseph Broughton, 68, an officer of the chapter who had just been invested, collapsed and died.

Three early volumes of journals or minute books of the Eton Society, founded in 1811, and known as "Pop," which have been missing for some years and were found in India in 1916, have just been returned to Eton.

The Earl of Balfour was presented with a congratulatory illuminated address on his elevation to the Peerage and for his services for the peace of the world by the tenantry on his estate at Whittingehame, Haddingtonshire.

Carrying a mock coffin and a bath, to indicate that he had been elected to the Baths and Burial Committee, 200 men escorted Councillor John Nield, a Communist to the Liverpool town hall when he took his seat on the city council.

The Queen received Mr. E. J. Stuart, leader of the Cochran-Stuart expedition to the north-west coast of Australia in 1917, at Buckingham Palace and accepted a tortoise shell comb carved from Hawke's Bill turtles caught on the expedition.

Of the 168 persons killed and 15,221 persons injured in street accidents recorded by the Metropolitan Police during July, August, and September last, 124 were killed and 7,509 injured by private motor-cars, motor-cycles, and commercial motor-vehicles.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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Bevan Railway Kowloon, from Tientsin.

In the Hongkong Hotel, from Kobe.

Daimosin, from Dairen.

Huanan Maru, from Wladivostok.

Igotasun, from Yokohama.

Marshall Tait, from Amoy.

Davis Eade, from Gilchrist.

Edd Davis Eade, from Gilchrist.

Knag Lee Des Vaux Road, from Shanghai.

Shanghai, from Shanghai.

Yueching, from Taichang.

Imrulun Great Eastern Hotel, from Shanghai.

7777, from Shanghai.

Hykebaidin, from Amoy.

Kw. ng Lee, from Shanghai.

Lee Cheang Yuen, from Shanghai.

N. LUND.

Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 5, 1923.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Shield, from New York.

Heiwayoko, from Taipei.

M. R. F. AIREY.

Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 5, 1923.

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TRINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LEESANG"	Sun., 14th Jan., 9 a.m.
BANOKAI via SWATOW	"HANGSANG"	Sun., 14th Jan., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"KWAISANG"	Tues., 16th Jan., 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN via SWATOW	"WAISHING"	Tues., 16th Jan., 10 a.m.
TRINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"MAUSANG"	Tues., 16th Jan., 10 a.m.
TRINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"WINGSANG"	Wed., 17th Jan., 10 a.m.
BANOKAI via SWATOW	"KUNHSANG"	Thurs., 18th Jan., 10 a.m.
KORE via SHANGHAI	"KATSING"	Mon., 22nd Jan., 10 a.m.
STRAITS via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"YUNSIANG"	Mon., 22nd Jan., 10 a.m.
STRAITS and CALCUTTA	"FOORSANG"	Tues., 23rd Jan., 10 a.m.
STRAITS and CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Sat., 27th Jan., 3 p.m.
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LESLIE E. HAYNES.

"TRUTH" AND THE CHUNG YIN RAMP.

The more I hear about Mr. Leslie E. Haynes, Director of the Sino-British Trade Association, 49, Bedford Square, W.C., the clearer it becomes that he is a scamp, writes *Truth*, on December 6. All doubt on that point has been dispelled by the additional evidence that has come into my possession as the result of the articles in the last two numbers of *Truth*. In his letter to me in reply to the first article he observed that it was no crime to owe money—but, as I pointed out, much depends upon the way in which the debt is incurred. My correspondence from the Far East has shown that Haynes, after disappointing creditors elsewhere, finally came home from Hongkong a year or so ago under circumstances which will make it imprudent for him to return to that colony.

In connection with his Sino-British Trade Association, Haynes—as I have previously explained—has been raising funds on the investment with employment plan, a salaried job here and in the Far East being offered to men in a position to put cash of their own into the scheme. Precisely how many victims he has caught I do not know, but Leslie E. Haynes has a plausible and persuasive tongue, and he speaks no pains or expense (especially in the way of lavish hospitality at the Savoy and other hotels) in the pursuit of a pigeon good for a few hundreds. In several instances, I am pleased to say, the intended dupe saved himself by consulting *Truth*. To the uninitiated Haynes's scheme looks attractive. First of all, there is the Sino-British Trade Association, the avowed object of which is to facilitate direct deal between British and Chinese traders, and thereby eliminate "unnecessary intermediaries" in Hongkong, Shanghai, etc. It is on this pretence that Haynes has raked in subscriptions from British firms, but behind the scenes he has been hatching projects which—if they ever came to anything—would simply divert business from existing agencies to concerns of his own creation. Besides his Sino-British Syndicate, in which some employees have been induced to invest, he has formulated at least two other propositions—the Chung Hwa Company, which was to be registered in London, and to become the parent of a larger undertaking at Hongkong, and the Chung Yin Company, which was to beget a British and Chinese Trading Corporation at Shanghai. So far as I am aware, nothing came of the Chung Hwa proposition, but the other has had a brief illegitimate existence.

About two months since Haynes represented that the Chung Yin Trading Co. had been incorporated under the Companies Act as a private company with a capital of £10,000, to act as the agent in London of the above-mentioned Corporation at Shanghai. By means of this representation three gentlemen, two of them English and the other Chinese, were prevailed upon to subscribe £500 each for shares in the company as a qualification for salaried appointments as directors and managers. The Englishmen paid £500 each as a deposit, and the Chinese victim £125, the latter being impressed by the fact that Haynes in his presence made out a cheque for £500 as his own contribution to the capital.

An office was taken at 70, Holborn, and the name of the "Chung Yin Trading Co., Limited," was painted on the door, where it is still to be seen. The investor-employees were soon busily answering inquiries by British manufacturers who, it appeared being "associate members" of the Sino-British Association, had been recommended by Haynes to approach the Chung Yin Company with a view to the opening up of business in China. On the strength of this recommendation some directors of big provincial firms came to London for interviews with the Chung Yin Company, and agency terms were discussed, but no definite contracts were entered into.

This went on for about ten days, the investor-employees believing that the company into which they had put their money was properly constituted. They had what appeared to be good reasons for this belief. Their cheques, made payable to the Chung Yin

Trading Company, Limited, had been cashed with the endorsement of "Leslie E. Haynes, managing director." Letter paper was used bearing the company's title with the word "limited," at the end of it. Board meetings were held and minutes kept. Haynes and one Fan Tai Fai ("Deputy Director" of the Sino-British Association) witnessed the affixing to the service agreements of what purported to be the "common seal of the Chung Yin Trading Company, Limited." (It wasn't, in fact, a seal, but a blank wafer, Haynes explaining that the die-sinkers had not delivered the actual seal.) Judge, then, of the surprise and indignation of the victims of this elaborate hoax when a casual inquiry by one of their number for the certificate of incorporation led to the discovery that the company had not been incorporated, but was simply a figment of the imagination of the promoter, Haynes! Eventually he wrote a letter saying that the Chung Yin registration had been "postponed" and that the deposits paid in respect of shares would be returned on application to his solicitors; but a visit to the latter elicited the fact that they were only in a position to tender post-dated cheques of Haynes's, and these scraps of paper were, of course, refused. There, for the moment, the matter stands. Haynes has rendered himself liable to heavy penalties under the Companies Act but it is obviously under the Larceny Act that he should be prosecuted. A more impudent swindle has rarely been perpetrated.

By dint of a cleverly-conducted propaganda in which various newspapers have innocently assisted, this unprincipled and impudent adventurer has roped into his Sino-British Trade Association hundreds of companies and firms, including some of the biggest manufacturers in Great Britain. Such knowledge of the China market as he can have picked up during a short and disreputable commercial career in Hongkong must be entirely superficial, but he has apparently had little difficulty in getting business men to listen to him as an expert. His effrontery secured him an invitation to address the Bradford Chamber of Commerce, while at a luncheon of the Association in London recently the speakers included the Consul General for China, as well as some M.P.s. It is all rather amazing. A great many of the members joined the Association when it was still located at its birthplace, 77 Knightsbridge, and concocted in various ways with E.A. Doover's joint-stock flat-traps, one being a bogus bank, which actually figured as a bank in the prospectus of the Association. Very little inquiry would have shown that the Association is a concern of shady origin and no standing, but presumably it is not considered worth while to make inquiries over a matter of a guinea subscription. Whether there have been many responses to the latter requests for five guineas, or to the offer of life membership at a "commuted fee" of fifty guineas, I am unable to say, nor do I know to what extent firms up and down the country have agreed to contribute to the cost of sending representatives of the Association to the Far East. It is, at any rate, unlikely that the Association will survive the revelations in *Truth* of the character and methods of its presiding genius.

I may add that though a number of business men have thanked me for the articles, I have also received the following letter, dated November 22, from Messrs Gaunt and Hickman, British Oil Works, Wolverhampton:—

We are not concerned with articles in the Press praising or disparaging any company. We are quite cynical about these, and they are not worth the paper they are written on, so far as any influence they have on our opinion. If the Sino-British Trade Association can do what it claims to do, we shall get business there. If it cannot, all the articles you will ever write will not help the matter.

It is, indeed, a blow to learn that nothing I can write will influence business men of this calibre.

Do You Ought?

Don't overstrain the face members of your throat in trying to disclose the phlegm. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will accomplish this for you, and cure the cold that is causing it. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

CRICKET.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

THE SEASON'S AVERAGES.

Some of the teams competing in the League have reached the half-way stage in their fixtures. Still, one cannot pick out the likely winners as the best teams have not all met and a few of them have only participated in one or two games. Judging by the present positions of the clubs in the League Tables about half the teams in the senior division still have a chance of coming out on top. In the junior division the Civil Service and Kowloon 2nd XI's may be classed as out of the running but cricket has always been known as a game of "glorious uncertainties." Our cricket season extends to the beginning of April before when the rains will affect the pitches. Some of the most important games will be decided between now and then. Different conditions will be found at the wickets and slightly longer hours of play will be possible. A team that has been brilliant might go to pieces near the end of the season and on the other hand, some of those badly placed now may show an unexpected return to form.

Turning to the records of the teams, one sees that the H.K.C.C., "Varsity" 1st and 2nd elevens have not dropped a point. The R.G.A. I.R.C. 1st and 2nd elevens, Civil Service 1st eleven and Police have not suffered a defeat in the League to date.

Owing to the fixtures not being arranged in sequence—one wonders why home and away matches were not decided for the senior division—the averages do not reveal a cricketer by comparison, in his real light. However, a few things are apparent. Hammond of the Engineers is the only batsman to have compiled a century in League cricket this season. Oliver of the R.G.A. has the highest aggregate of runs namely 164. But he has played more innings than members of other leading teams. Still he has shown himself the most consistent, opening his club's innings every time and scoring 40, 17, 16, 36, 47, consecutively in League games, figures which would do credit to any local opening batsman. Davies, by virtue of two big innings has only one run less than Oliver. As a bowler, he has covered himself with fame, having taken to date, 23 wickets at an average cost of 9.26 runs.

The great surprise of last Saturday's games was the defeat of the Navy at Craigengower's hands in a close and exciting game. Two players who have previously played for the Navy in a League match this season turned out for Craigengower. A few years ago some discussion arose as to a Club player appearing in Kowloon's team, but what the outcome was I do not know. Another point I should like to mention is that quite a number of players have figured in both their first and second team engagements. For the purpose of calculating averages, I am keeping the two Leagues separate. In other words, a player in the second team turning out for the first eleven or vice versa will be treated as two different individuals with separate records for performances in each League. This, I believe, is the practice adopted in England.

R. G. A. improved their position at the expense of the Infantry, but they will have to keep striking the winning vein to come out on top. They have drawn three matches out of five in failing a loss of six points (a win counts 3 points against 1 for a draw). Infantry, considering the amount of talent they command, have done badly. A draw with the C.R.O. admittedly one of the worst teams in the first league, followed by a beating from the Gunners despite an excellent bowling performance by Lt. White, is a beginning one did not expect from them. Somehow, the Navy have not been able to put their strongest team into the field and this has been fraught with disastrous consequences. The I.R.O. will probably pardon me for thinking that this change in their batmen's tactics is due to my reminder in last week's notes. They "went for" the C.R.O. bowling in no uncertain fashion last Saturday hitting up 171 runs for 6 wickets and declaring their innings closed before 1 o'clock. I am of the opinion that both the Indian teams have greatly improved and their enthusiasm alone will carry them a long way.

From the lists of fixtures to hand, the following matches are scheduled for to-morrow—

K.O.C. v Navy, O.R.O. v University, LEAGUE I.
Police v R.E. Civil Service 2nd XI v I.R.C. 2nd XI.
Varsity.
Craigengower v H.K.C.C. I.R.O. v Civil.

Service, H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v Tailcoo. To be played on the first-named Club's ground.

The K.O.C. v Navy should be the tit-bit of the afternoon. Either side may register its first win, but there is not much difference between them. University have an apparently easy task at Causeway Bay and should, on form enhance their position at the head of the League but a batting to-morrow will not remove them from it yet. The Sappers play their return fixture with the Police. On the previous occasion that they met, a low scoring match resulted. Thanks to a good innings by Alexander and consistent bowling by C. Barnshaw the "bobbies" brought off an unexpected victory. To-morrow's match will go a long way towards deciding the junior League premiership. The Indians second string beat the Civil Service second string somewhat easily on December 9. Although the latter have the advantage of ground to-morrow, the Indians should win again. Below are the League averages. From now onwards, I shall include batting averages of over 20 and bowling figures below 12 runs per wicket. Cricketers who have not taken part in at least half their team's engagements (minimum of two) will be omitted. As I mentioned above, a cricketer appearing for both his club first and second elevens will be treated as a different individual in each section.

BATTING AVERAGES.

FIRST LEAGUE.				
	No. of Innings.	Aggregate.	Highest Score.	Average.
Fincher (C.S.)	2	71	65	71.00
Wood (C.S.)	2	65	53	65.00
S.D. Ismail (I.R.)	3	100	51	50.00
A.A. Rumjahn (U.)	3	138	69	46.00
Sayer (C.S.)	2	88	49	44.00
Skinner (N.)	2	44	42	44.00
H. H. Madar (I.R.)	3	44	44	44.00
Evans (N.)	2	81	53	40.50
Oliver (R.A.)	5	164	47	32.80
Davies (R.A.)	5	163	76	32.60
Bacon (Inf.)	2	67	39	33.50
Wood (N.)	2	62	60	31.00
A.H. Rumjahn (I.R.)	2	55	58	28.00
Spinks (K.)	3	78	31	26.00
Quick (U.)	3	73	53	24.33
Gittens (U.)	2	23	23	23.00
Blackburn (K.)	2	23	13	23.00
Chester (R.A.)	5	90	31	22.00
G. Lee (Ch.)	4	89	45	22.25
Pirrell (N.)	3	65	49	22.00
T. E. Yeoh (U.)	3	64	27	21.33
Hannay (Inf.)	2	42	50	21.00
O. Ismail (I.R.)	3	62	32	20.66
SECOND LEAGUE.				
H. D. Ramjahn (I.R.)	2	75	70	75.00
Peterson (U.)	2	104	94	52.00
Hammond (R.E.)	4	143	100	47.00
Alexander (P.)	4	141	63	47.66
Wahup (I.)	2	43	34	43.00
Petherica (K.)	3	82	77	41.00
Redpath (R.E.)	2	60	55	33.00
Nazarin (I.)	3	74	36	24.66
Ackler (I.)	3	23	18	23.00
Edwards (K.)	4	89	35	22.25
Pearson (R.E.)	4	63	38	21.00
"D" notes "not out."				

BOWLING AVERAGES.

FIRST LEAGUE.				
	No. of Wickets.	Average.		
Bolton (U.)	16	3.50		
S. H. Ismail (I.R.)	6	6.17		
Reed (C.S.)	11	6.36		
Hamilton (C.S.)	4	6.50		
Hannay (Inf.)	8	7.83		
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	3	8.00		
Sladen (N.)	3	8.66		
A. H. Madar (I.R.)	7	8.86		
Davies (R.A.)	23	9.26		
Ling (C.S.)	4	10.75		
Evans (K.)	9	11.41		
Gregory (N.)	8	11.75		
H. C. Hung (Q.E.)	6	11.83		
SECOND LEAGUE.				
S. H. Ong (U.)	0	6.00		
G. Barnshaw (P.)	18	7.39		
Peterson (U.)	9	7.89		
H. D. Rumjahn (I.)	8	8.12		
Shenton (K.)	6	8.33		
Hyde (K.)	3	8.33		
Townsend (R.E.)	19	9.21		
Cowan (C.S.)	12	9.33		
Pearson (R.E.)	9	10.11		
Watts (P.)	9	10.83		
Jacobson (R.E.)	5	10.40		
—W.P.C.				

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FOOTBALL.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

Owing to the Interport trial game to-morrow there will be no First Division games, and the King's—St. Joseph's game in the Second Division has been postponed for the same reason.

The Interport Trial will be played on the Club ground, kick off at 4 p.m. sharp. The teams are as follows:—

Whites—Hill, Smith and Grant, Morrison, Hudson and Post, Burnett, Ip Kau, Osborne, Valentine and Chau Kwong Yin.

Blues—Swan, Gerrard and Chan, So, McLaren, Stewart and Leung Yuk tong, Chin Kwong Yeung, Forsyth, Begg, Dr. Valentine and England.

The following Second Division games are down to be played:—

Warders v. University, Sookampoo ground.

Marazion v. Hawkins, South China ground.

Ambrose v. United, Navy "B" ground.

Titanis v. South China "A", Navy "A" ground.

Kowloon v. Police, Kowloon (H.K.) ground.

I.G.A. v. South China "B", St. Joseph's ground.

Kick off at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

The University should prove too good for the Warders. The latter team secured their first two points in the League last Saturday when they defeated the Police team by two clear goals and are not likely to repeat the performance to-morrow.

Ambrose should win against the "United," and Hawkins should also be too strong for the Marazion.

Titanis will secure the two points against the Chinese "A" team whilst the "B" team should win against the Gunners.

The Police will not be able to do much at Kowloon to-morrow, for I understand they will have some of their players on duty. Kowloon should win easily.

Special arrangements are being made for the Interport, and the trial games. Extra seating accommodation is being provided in the form of a large stand on the opposite side to Blackburn (K.), the one now erected, and chairs to be placed round the ground. Prices for to-morrow will be \$1 for the covered stand, 50 cents for the uncovered stand, and 20 cents for the chairs. There will be plenty of room for those who are not able to get seating accommodation. Further particulars with regard to the Interport game will be announced later. There is one tip worth giving and that is, those who are anxious to see the game against Shanghai will do well to watch out and as soon as booking is open to reserve seats for themselves.

SHIELD COMPETITION.

The following is the result of the draw for the Senior Competition: Durban v. Titanis; Tamr v. Hawkins; Club v. Kowloon. Byes, Ambrose, Police, R.G.A., King's, and South China.

JUNIOR COMPETITION.

Ambrose v. Titanis; Hawkins v. United, Byes. South China, Kowloon, King's, St. Joseph's, R.G.A. and Marazion.

The first round in both competitions will take place on Saturday January 20.

OFFSIDE.

"BAREFACED THEFT"

CONTRACTOR'S FOREMAN JAILED.

Yesterday afternoon a contractor's foreman was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell with theft and possession of stolen keys.

On New Year's Eve he told his master, at Shamshui, that the safe had been burgled and that money was missing. A report was made to the Police who suspected that the theft was the work of an inmate of the shop. Later the foreman was detained on suspicion and he subsequently volunteered to show the Police where he had hidden the stolen money amounting to \$520. It was found in a fireplace two doors from the office and a bunch of keys was also found.

The defendant, who admitted opening the safe, was sentenced by the Magistrate to six months' imprisonment. Mr. Lindell characterized the act as a "barefaced theft." The charge of possession of stolen keys was dismissed as his "worthiness" did not consider they were stolen keys.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain F. H. Jenne, of the "Pakhoi," is en route.

Mr. R. Haymer, chief officer, "Woosung," has gone acting master, "Pakhoi."

Mr. A. van Winckler, chief officer, "Woosung," has gone chief officer, "Hupeh."

Mr. R. J. Nunn, second officer, "Woosung," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Captain B. A. Thomson, of the "Hupeh," is on reserve.

Captain H. Sutor, of the "Kwangsung," has resigned.

Captain R. Ritchie, of the "Sulit," has gone master, "Fatsan."

Captain H. P. Hope, of the "Yunnan," has gone master, "Kaifong."

Captain J. D. Milne, of the "Kaifong," has gone master, "Yunnan."

Mr. C. B. Atkins, chief officer, "Yunnan," has gone chief officer, "Kaifong."

Mr. C. Stirling, chief officer, "Kaifong," has gone chief officer, "Yunnan."

Mr. H. H. Balderson, second officer, "Kaifong," has gone second officer, "Yunnan."

Mr. H. Stephen, second officer, "Yunnan," has gone second officer, "Kaifong."

Captain G. R. Ainslie, from leave, has gone master, "Newchwang."

Mr. H. Appleton, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Newchwang."

Mr. D. Brodie, from leave, has gone second officer, "Newchwang."

Mr. A. C. Pearce, chief officer, "Kingsyuan," is on reserve.

Mr. D. Lupton, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Kingsyuan."

Mr. W. L. Shinn, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Fatsan."

Captain W. Gibb, from leave, has gone master, "Kangwo."

Captain D. Christie, of the "Kangwo," has gone master, "Kutwo."

Mr. E. V. Bishop, acting master, "Kutwo," has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. O. V. R. Bazham, chief officer, "Kutwo," has gone chief officer, "Waishing."

Mr. R. McIl Patterson, chief officer, "Waishing," is on leave.

Mr. R. J. T. Hopkins, second officer, "Suwo," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. B. C. Everett, chief officer, "Suwo," has retired.

Mr. H. S. Allison, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Loongwo."

Mr. D. R. Wilson, chief officer, "Loongwo," is on reserve.

Mr. J. M. Sturgeon, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Kingsing."

Mr. J. A. Boutain, chief officer, "Kingsing," is on reserve.

Captain E. Scurr, of the "Loongwo," has resigned.

Captain F. Mooney, from reserve, has gone master, "Fooksang."

Captain F. E. Lane, of the "Fooksang," is on reserve.

Mr. E. B. Smith, chief officer, "Mingyang," has resigned.

Mr. J. Lindsay, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Mingyang."

Mr. F. R. Carter, third officer, "Chunyang," is on reserve.

Mr. E. G. Woodford, from leave, has gone third officer, "Chunyang."

Captain O. R. More, from reserve, has gone master, "Chunyang."

Mr. J. T. Gale, second officer, "Yuenyang," has resigned.

Mr. D. A. Matheson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Yuenyang."

Mr. C. E. Compton has been appointed third engineer, "Waishing."

Mr. W. Hallett, third engineer, "Waishing," is on leave.

Mr. F. Kereke has been appointed ship's third engineer, "Loongwo."

Mr. A. Connel, ship's third engineer, "Loongwo," has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr. W. T. B. Bird, third engineer, "Loongwo," has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

Mr. H. W. Mill, second engineer, "Loongwo," is on leave.

TOBACCO WORKERS.

LATEST LABOUR DISPUTE.

Another labour dispute in the near future seems probable. Last Tuesday a letter, purporting to have been approved by all the workers of the Nanyang Tobacco Company, men women and girls, was sent to the management demanding that the terms upon which a recent strike of the Shanghai workers of the Company was settled apply to the Hongkong operatives as far as possible. The letter asked for a reply within five days and the Company has not so far given a reply.

Some of the time agreed to by the Company and its Shanghai employees are not applicable here. Among the numerous demands in the letter are the following:—

The Company will not dismiss any employee (or alleged agent, pilfering, breach of regulations or molesting girl operatives unless the allegation is proved. In the event of retrenchment owing to inefficient business this stipulation will not be enforced. An all round increase of \$3 to all workers. An annual increment of at least \$1. Industrious workers will be suitably treated. If this stipulation is carried out the worker cannot ask for further increase.

All fines paid to the company by the workers for misconduct, etc., will be handed to the guild to be spent on charitable work.

Half a day's pay will be given to those working up to 9 p.m.; three fourths of a day's pay for those working up to 10.30; and one full day's pay up to 11 or midnight. Double pay will be given to those working the whole night.

Wages will be paid every month on the last day of the month.

It is stated that some time ago a delegation from the Shanghai Guild visited Hongkong and got in touch with the Hongkong workers, advising them of what they had achieved.

SHANGHAI WEDDING.

MANSFIELD GARDNER.

A very pretty wedding took place on January 3, in Holy Trinity Cathedral, when Miss R. Ann Gardner was married to Mr. Philip Cecil Mansfield by the Very Rev. Dean C. J. F. Symonds officiating. The bride, who is the eldest daughter of Mr. W. Gardner of Glasgow, was given away by her father. Her dress for the church ceremony was of white tulle with lace and ruffled with pink georgette and she carried a sheaf of white roses and carnations. The maid of honour, Miss Margaret Gardner and the bridesmaids, Miss Dorothy Gardner and Miss Joy Mansfield, wore mauve tulle trimmed with mauve silk lace and silver ribbon. They wore black net picture hats and carried pink carnations. The train-bearer was Master Richard Pot-Hunt.

The groom, who is in the office of Messrs. Jarvis, Matheson & Co., and is the son of the late Mr. J. Mansfield and Mrs. Mansfield of Shanghai, was accompanied by Mr. A. H. Leslie as best man. The ushers were Messrs. F. T. Gardner, H. J. Faers and T. R. MacDonald. Mr. R. C. Young presided at the altar.

The reception at 91 Bubbling Well Road was attended by many friends and the presents displayed were very beautiful. The bride wore for her going-away costume a navy blue suit with squirrel coat and small black silk beaver hat trimmed with ribbons. The honeymoon will be spent at Repulse Bay, Hongkong, and Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield will later take a trip home.

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HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS

The Time Ball on Cantonment Street is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and is dropped except on Saturdays, when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m.

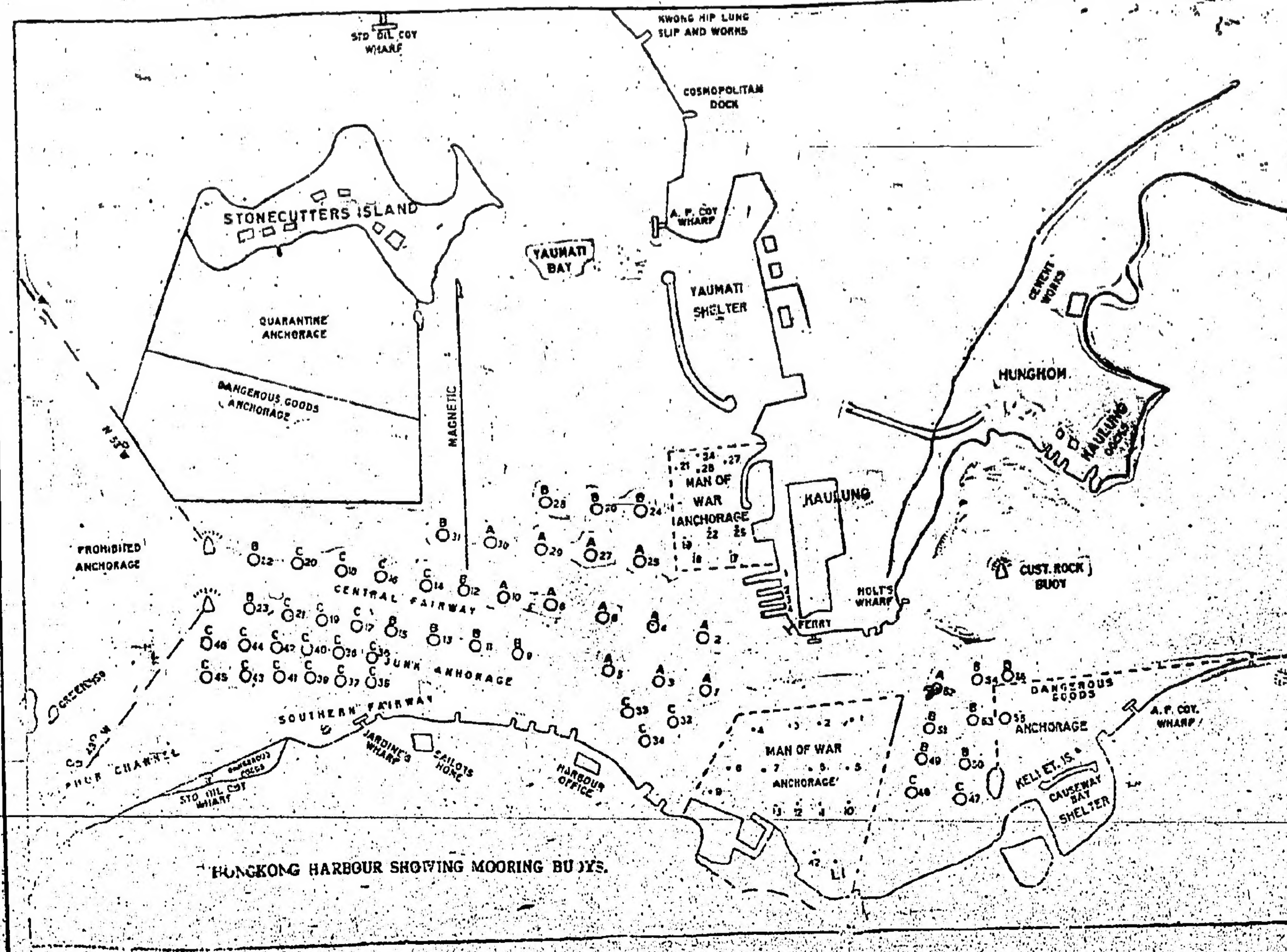
The Ball is hoisted back next at 5.55 minutes and falls next at the 6th minute. Should the ball fail to drop, the correct time will be lowered 5 minutes past the hour by the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour.

Should the Time Ball begin to fall, the above routine will be carried out with the flag "2" on the Horn Signal.

Time Signals are also given at 15 minute intervals by the Observatory, as follows:

From 5.55 to 5.59 p.m. the lamps extinguished successively at the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of the minute.

The time refers to the Hong Kong Standard Time.





Walter Lyman Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lyman Brown, with their daughters, Betty and Jeanne, have returned to America. Mr. Brown was head of the American Relief in Europe and has been active in Belgian relief work since 1915, when he was in charge of all relief measures in that country. He is to assume direction of the American Relief Association in the United States.



Startling "poison dinner murders," are alleged to involve Mrs. Tillie Klimek and Mrs. Nellie Sturmer Konlik. Assistant State's Attorney William McLaughlin, of Chicago, has been directed to devote his entire time to the case. The so-called Chicago murder trust was composed of women, who carefully worked out diabolical murders with arsenic. Mrs. Klimek has declared Mrs. Konlik supplied her with poison.



Paris Midienettes.

On November 25 each year Paris midienettes—workers in dressmaking establishments—crowned with the "Bonnet de Sainte Catherine," parade the streets in search of husbands. Leap Year Day comes once a year in their young lives. All girls who have passed the age of twenty five without marriage are eligible to parade, but many twenty or younger take part. When the girls see a good prospect they surround him, hug and kiss him—sometimes he proposes on the spot.



Hotel Barbacine.

A real old fashioned barbeque marked the inauguration of the work on a new \$10,000,000 hotel in New York, which is being built on the co-operative basis. The barbecue was staged by members of the theatrical profession, as the new hotel, when completed, will contain the rooms of the Theatrical Club.



Lady Sykes.

Lady Sykes, wife of Major-General Sir Frederick Hugh Sykes and daughter of the new British Premier, Mr. Andrew Bonar Law, is acting as mistress of the Prime Minister's official residence, No. 10 Downing Street, London.



Ralph Heberman.

One of the strangest family circles in America, where 250 relatives have formed themselves into a corporation with a board of directors to regulate all the major details of their business lives, has been formed by Ralph Heberman, of Everett, Mass. The board's vote is obeyed.

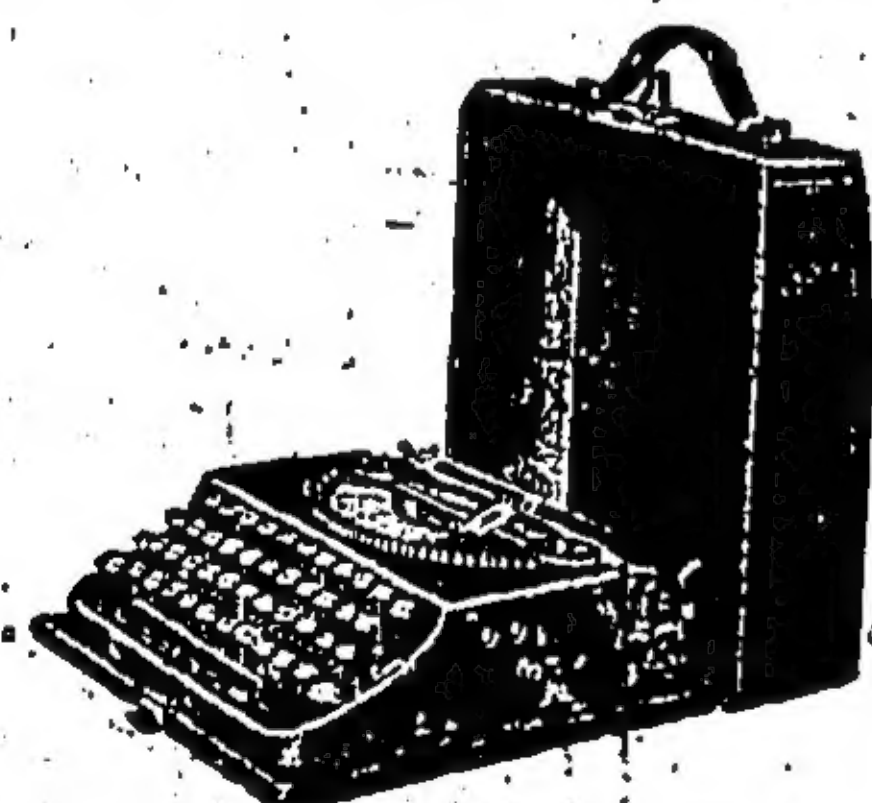


Dr. Noble.

Dr. Noble, of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, has just returned from Santo Domingo, where he conducted a reptile hunt. Among the many queer specimens he brought back is the rhinoceros iguana, to quote its scientific name, but more commonly called the "living fossil." It belongs to a family of giant lizards now extinct.



Pope Pius XI, the head of the Roman Catholic Church, strolling in the gardens of the Vatican, in Rome.



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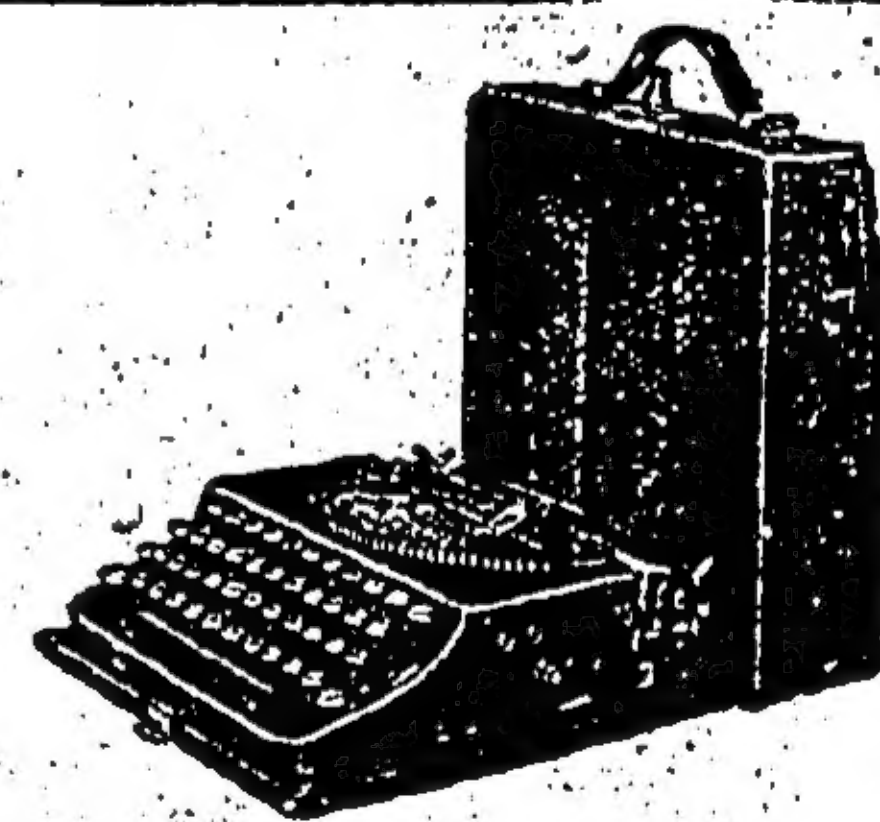
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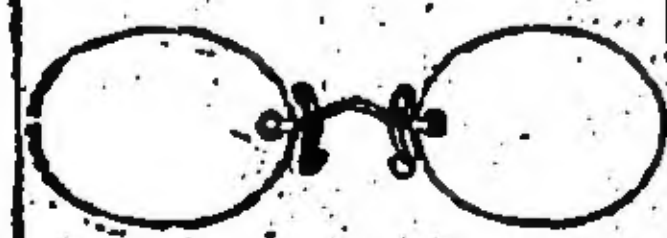
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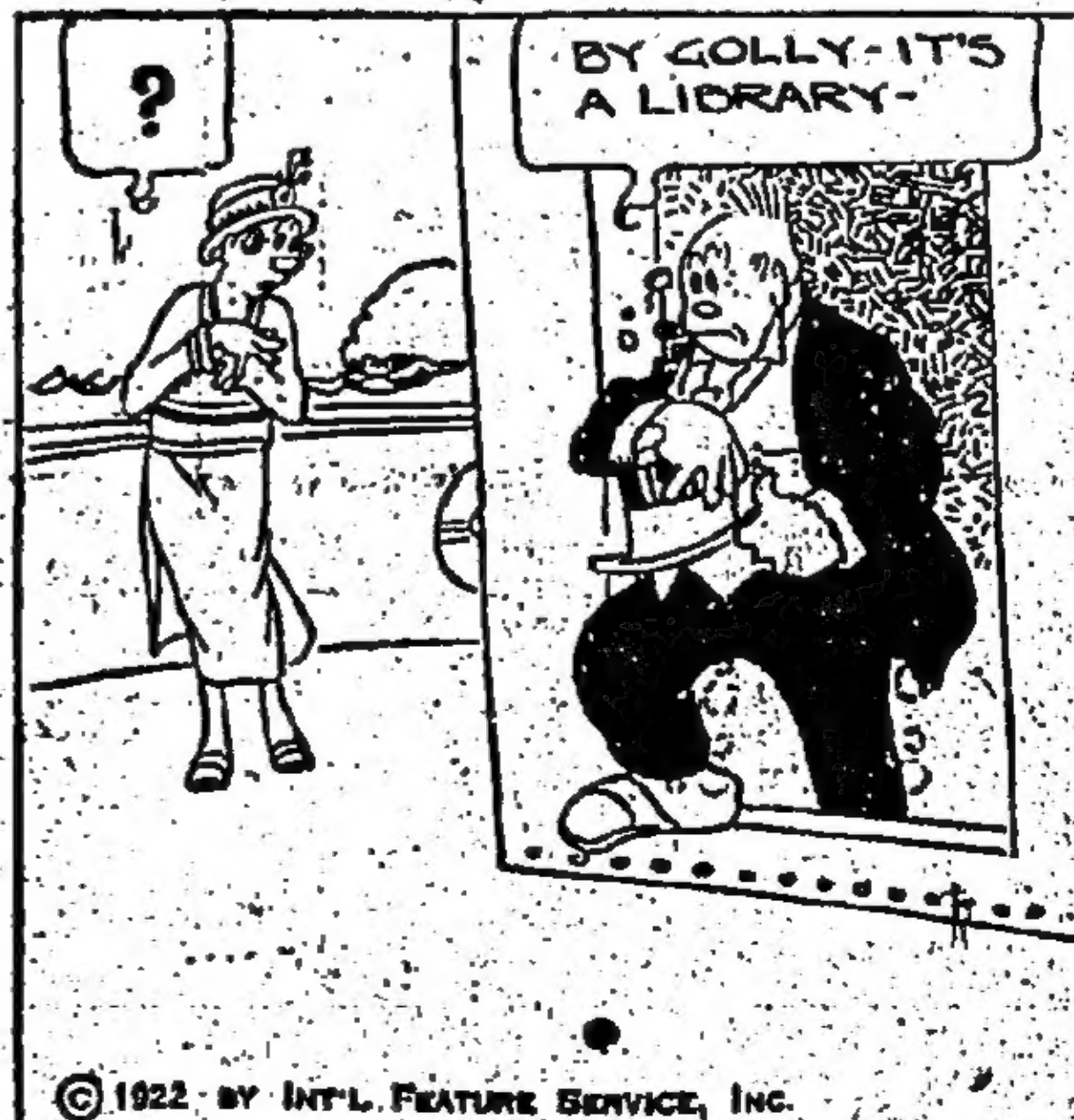
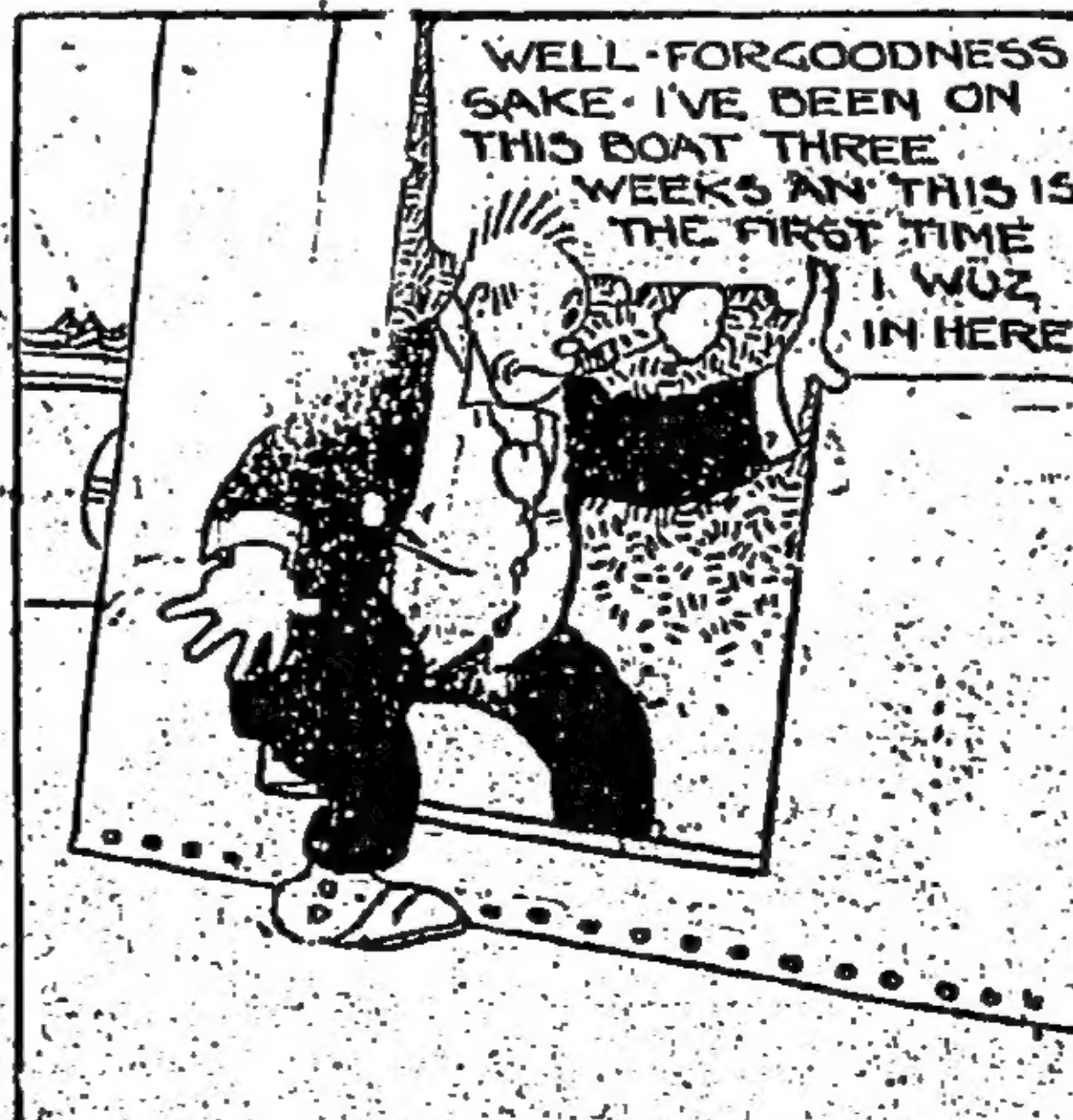
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